Town of Holland

Town Board Meeting Minutes Sheboygan County, March 9, 2009

The regular meeting of the Town of Holland Board was called to order by Chairman Don Becker at 7:30 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Becker. The Clerk certified that the requirements of the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law had been met.

Roll Call showed Stan Lammers, Don Becker, Martin Elmer, and Dave Huenink present from the Town Board. Also present were Treasurer Craig Droppers, Clerk Sharon Claerbaut, and Deputy Clerk Allan Claerbaut.

Motion by Martin, seconded by Stan, to adopt that Agenda as the official order of business. Motion carried.

Minutes of the February 9, 2009 regular Board meeting were posted on the web site, and previously presented to the Board. Motion by Martin, seconded by Dave, to approve these minutes with a spelling correction. Motion carried. The minutes of the Joint meeting with the Village of Cedar Grove. which was held on February 16, 2009 had also been posted on the web site and presented to the Board. The clerk was asked to change the last sentence of the minutes regarding who had made and seconded the motion to adjourn so that the minutes would match the Village of Cedar Grove's minutes regarding that item. Motion by Martin, seconded by Dave, to approve the minutes with this change. Motion carried.

Record retention: Record retention is up-to-date.

Public Input: None

Financial/Treasurer's Reports: Reports were presented by Craig. Motion by Martin, seconded by Stan, to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of Vouchers: Motion by Dave, seconded by Martin, to approve the Voucher list. Motion carried.

Accounts Receivable: There are currently four fire calls that have been billed.

Update on abandoned wells. Craig gave a report. We will put an ad in the Lakeshore Weekly and the Sounder asking for information on all abandoned wells, not just test wells.

Plan Commission Recommendations: None on rezonings, but the Plan Commission recommends approval of the new complaint form. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to adopt the new complaint form with addition. Motion carried.

Discuss/act on Holland Sanitary abandonment issue. Sharon will check with our attorney on details of the process, and ask him to formulate a document which Al offered to take around for signatures of the property owners involved.

Discuss/act on Steve Jones request to not be paid for March due to his absence at this meeting. It was noted that the electorate would have authority over this. It was also noted that, while the Board appreciates Steve's request, they are grateful for all the hard work Steve has done and continues to do in his position on the Board. There is a lot more to this job than attending the meetings, and every once in a while someone has to miss a meeting, but has always been paid for that month due to other work they do. The Board acknowledges Steve's contribution to the Township. They respectfully and gratefully reject Steve's request. He will be paid as usual.

Discuss/act on extra help at the recycling center. There have been about 20 applications for the position. Stan, Martin, and Roger TeStroete will meet to open and review the applications.

Review Foth proposal for assistance with implementation planning for the 2009 Comprehensive Plan. Plan Commission recommends to the Boards to use Foth for development of both the zoning ordinance and the land division ordinance revision, with the zoning ordinances to be done first and the land division ordinance done second, based on available funds. Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to proceed with getting this completed by Foth. Motion carried.

Discuss/act upon 'advance notice of claim' received by the Town. The Board acknowledges that they got the notice. Attorney Gerry Antoine is checking into this and may make contact with the Posthuma's attorney. This will be on the agenda again next month

Discuss/act on new computer/printer for the Roads Dept. Motion by Dave, seconded by Martin, to go ahead with this purchase not to exceed \$750. Motion carried.

Set dates for Open Book and Board of Review. Grota Appraisals has changed their recommendation to May 6th for Open Book and May 27th for Board of Review. Motion by Stan, seconded by Dave, to set Open Book for Wednesday, May 6, 2009 from 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M., and the Board of Review for Wednesday, May 27, 2009 from 2:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Administration – No report

Parks/Property/Amsterdam Park – Martin reported that the next Amsterdam Park

Commission meeting will be the third Monday of April. Everything is going will
at the Recycling Center. The new dumpster is working out very well.

Roads – Plans are all in place for projects

Public Safety – Dave reported 36 and a half hours by the Sheriff Dept. in February.

Much of their work was winter related. There will be a joint meeting with the Village of Cedar Grove again tomorrow night regarding the Fire Dept. contract.

Public Input: Lincoln Davies asked a question about the procedure for possibly building another house on his property.

A closed session to discuss the negotiations with the Village of Cedar Grove regarding the fire department contract and also a personnel matter. Motion by Dave, seconded by Stan, to go into closed session. Stan-Yes, Don-Yes, Martin-Yes, Dave-Yes. Motion carried. Meeting into closed session at 8:45 P.M.

Motion by Stan, seconded by Dave, to come back into open session. Stan-Yes, Don-Yes, Martin-Yes, Dave-Yes. Motion carried. Meeting back into open session at 9:00 P.M. There was only discussion in the closed session, nothing to take formal action on.

Public Input: Sharon said that Paul Corson, the auditor, had asked if there was any long term disability insurance in place. She was asked to check on this.

Correspondence: Sharon gave a couple of things to Don. Don mentioned that the government stimulus might cover certain things regarding roads. Stan will check with Roger about what might be needed that could be covered by stimulus money.

Motion by Stan, seconded by Martin, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted, Allan Claerbaut, Deputy Clerk